

**HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS REPORT**

**QUARTERLY MILK PRODUCTION**  
**WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION**  
**PECAN PRODUCTION**  
**CROPLAND RENTED FOR CASH**  
**PASTURE RENTED FOR CASH**

Production per cow in the 20 major states averaged 1,546 pounds for June, 30 pounds above June 1999.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major states was 7.81 million head, 65,000 head more than June 1999, and 10,000 head more than May 2000.



**LOUISIANA MILK PRODUCTION**

Louisiana dairies produced 189 million pounds of milk during the April-June 2000 quarter, down 2 percent from the same period in 1999. Milk cows averaged 59,000 head during the quarter, down 3 percent from last year.

The quarterly production of milk for the U.S. was 43.1 billion pounds, 2.6 percent above the April-June period last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the April-June quarter was 9.21 million head, 58,000 head more than the same period last year. #

**UNITED STATES MILK PRODUCTION**

Milk production in the 20 major states during June totaled 12.1 billion pounds, up 2.8 percent from production in these same states in June 1999. The May revision represented a decrease of 0.2 percent or 28.0 million pounds from last months preliminary production estimate. The 20 major states collect data on a monthly basis.



**MILK PRODUCTION**

SELECTED STATES	APRIL - JUNE MILK COWS 1/		APRIL - JUNE MILK PRODUCTION 2/	
	1999	2000	1999	2000
	Thousands		Million Pounds	
Alabama	27	25	100	92
Arkansas	42	42	138	142
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>189</b>
Mississippi	38	36	149	146
Oklahoma	92	91	317	331
Tennessee	98	95	373	365
Texas	344	350	1,511	1,538
20 Major States 3/	7,730	7,796	36,182	37,212
<b>United States</b>	<b>9,155</b>	<b>9,213</b>	<b>42,029</b>	<b>43,137</b>

1/Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/Excludes milk sucked by calves. 3/Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin.

## UNITED STATES WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION DOWN SLIGHTLY FROM LAST YEAR

**Winter wheat** acres for harvest as grain are forecast at 35.4 million, down slightly from 1999. Harvest progress in the 18 major producing states had reached 65 percent completion by July 2. This was more than 20 points ahead of both last year and the normal pace.

Yield declines are forecast in all of the major Hard Red Wheat (HRW) states. Forecasted head counts from the Objective Yield surveys in the six HRW states (Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas) are down slightly from last month, while weight per head is down a collective 4 percent. Above average rainfall during June caused some harvest delay in Oklahoma. Harvest has progressed rapidly in Kansas and Nebraska.

Harvested yields were better than previously expected in the Soft Red Wheat (SRW) states. Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Mississippi, and Pennsylvania now expect record highs. These states joined Ohio where a record had been forecast a month ago. Collective head count forecasts are virtually unchanged in the SRW Objective Yield states (Illinois, Missouri, Ohio), but average weight per head is up 8 percent from a month ago.

Combined plant populations in the Pacific Northwest Objective Yield region are at record high levels, but forecasted head weight is still lower than normal. Idaho expects a record high yield. Yield prospects improved in Michigan, but dimmed somewhat in New York. #

### JULY 1 CROP REPORT, WINTER WHEAT

SELECTED STATES	AREA HARVESTED		YIELD		PRODUCTION	
	1999	IND. 2000	1999	IND. 2000	1999	2000
	-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Bushels-----		-----1,000 Bushels-----	
Arkansas	920	1,110	56.0	56.0	51,520	62,160
Colorado	2,400	2,350	43.0	30.0	103,200	70,500
Kansas	9,200	9,300	47.0	39.0	432,400	362,700
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>1/</b>	<b>4,935</b>	<b>1/</b>
Mississippi	165	195	50.0	50.0	8,250	9,750
Oklahoma	4,300	4,300	35.0	34.0	150,500	146,200
Texas	3,400	2,500	36.0	29.0	122,400	72,500
<b>United States</b>	<b>35,572</b>	<b>35,401</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>1,699,989</b>	<b>1,588,376</b>

1/ Will be available September 29, 2000.

# U. S. PECANS

VARIETY	UTILIZED PRODUCTION			PRICE PER POUND		
	1997	1998	1999	1997	1998	1999
	-----1,000 Pounds-----			-----Dollars-----		
<b>Improved Varieties 1/</b>						
Alabama	7,000	3,500	7,000	0.760	0.954	0.850
Arizona	18,500	13,000	22,800	1.250	1.590	1.190
Arkansas	1,200	300	1,500	0.750	1.150	0.620
California	3,000	1,700	1,900	1.320	1.660	1.270
Florida	600	200	1,100	1.000	1.100	0.900
Georgia	77,000	35,000	85,000	0.904	1.240	0.890
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>0.900</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>1.000</b>
Mississippi	2,600	800	3,500	0.844	0.870	0.900
New Mexico	45,000	32,000	52,000	0.940	1.490	1.200
North Carolina	900	1,500	800	0.950	1.000	1.100
Oklahoma	3,000	200	3,000	0.760	1.220	0.880
South Carolina	2,100	800	1,800	0.840	1.240	0.840
Texas	40,000	20,000	35,000	0.863	1.300	1.000
<b>United States</b>	<b>202,900</b>	<b>112,000</b>	<b>219,400</b>	<b>0.933</b>	<b>1.350</b>	<b>1.010</b>
<b>Native and Seedling</b>						
Alabama	6,000	1,500	6,000	0.518	0.674	0.500
Arkansas	2,300	250	2,300	0.630	0.880	0.570
Florida	1,200	1,100	2,600	0.600	0.750	0.650
Georgia	23,000	5,000	35,000	0.591	1.110	0.590
Kansas	4,200	50	5,000	0.670	0.880	0.680
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>18,000</b>	<b>0.480</b>	<b>0.600</b>	<b>0.550</b>
Mississippi	1,400	400	1,500	0.583	0.660	0.550
North Carolina	600	1,000	400	0.650	0.800	0.750
Oklahoma	32,000	1,800	60,000	0.550	0.680	0.550
South Carolina	1,400	300	900	0.610	1.020	0.750
Texas	50,000	10,000	55,000	0.477	0.850	0.600
<b>United States</b>	<b>132,100</b>	<b>34,400</b>	<b>186,700</b>	<b>0.530</b>	<b>0.772</b>	<b>0.577</b>
<b>All Pecans</b>						
Alabama	13,000	5,000	13,000	0.648	0.870	0.688
Arizona	18,500	13,000	22,800	1.250	1.590	1.190
Arkansas	3,500	550	3,800	0.671	1.030	0.590
California	3,000	1,700	1,900	1.320	1.660	1.270
Florida	1,800	1,300	3,700	0.733	0.804	0.724
Georgia	100,000	40,000	120,000	0.882	1.220	0.803
Kansas	4,200	50	5,000	0.670	0.880	0.680
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>0.550</b>	<b>0.675</b>	<b>0.632</b>
Mississippi	4,000	1,200	5,000	0.753	0.800	0.795
New Mexico	45,000	32,000	52,000	0.940	1.490	1.200
North Carolina	1,500	2,500	1,200	0.830	0.920	0.983
Oklahoma	35,000	2,000	63,000	0.568	0.734	0.566
South Carolina	3,500	1,100	2,700	0.748	1.180	0.810
Texas	90,000	30,000	90,000	0.649	1.150	0.756
<b>United States</b>	<b>335,000</b>	<b>146,400</b>	<b>406,100</b>	<b>0.744</b>	<b>1.210</b>	<b>0.814</b>

1/Budded, grafted, or top worked varieties.

## 1999 PECAN PRODUCTION UP

Production of all **pecans** in the **United States** in 1999 totaled 406 million pounds, up 177 percent from 1998. Production of improved varieties, at 219 million pounds, was up 96 percent from the previous year, while the native and seedling output totaled 188 million pounds, compared to the 34.4 million pounds the previous year.

The average price of all pecans in the United States was 81.4 cents per pound, down 39.6 cents from 1998. The minimum pecan price reported was in Oklahoma, at 56.6 cents per pound, while the maximum price was reported in California at \$1.27 per pound.

The value of utilized production in the U.S. was \$330 million in 1999, up 86 percent from the previous year. Georgia led all States in value of pecan production with \$96.3 million, Texas was second with \$68.0 million and New Mexico was third with \$62.4 million. #

## Cropland Rented for Cash: Average Rent per Acre, by Region and State, 1996-2000

Region, State and Land Type	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
-----Dollars-----					
Delta States 1/	----	----	57.00	59.20	62.00
Arkansas 1/	----	----	70.00	67.00	69.00
Irrigated	----	73.00	80.00	78.00	80.00
Non-Irrigated	48.80	53.00	53.00	50.00	50.00
Louisiana 1/	----	----	55.00	56.90	55.20
Irrigated	65.30	70.60	70.00	70.00	65.00
Non-Irrigated	53.00	48.00	49.00	49.60	51.90
Mississippi 1/			55.60	58.00	62.00
Irrigated	70.00	71.20	67.30	76.00	80.00
Non-Irrigated	45.00	49.00	47.90	49.20	52.00
United States 1/	----	----	66.50	67.50	70.00

— Data not published. 1/All cropland average rent per acre.

## Pasture Rented for Cash: Average Cash Rent per Acre, by Region and State, 1996-2000

Region and State	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
-----Dollars-----					
Delta States	-----	-----	15.00	13.90	13.80
Arkansas 1/					
Louisiana	12.60	13.00	16.00	15.50	14.00
Mississippi	15.60	16.40	14.50	13.50	14.00

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